

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroyuki HASHIMOTO et al.

Rule 53(b) Continuing Application of  
Application No. 09/674,862, filed June 21, 2001

Filed: April 20, 2004

Docket No.: 105417.01

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE, METHOD OF SAVING AND LOADING  
DATA, AND INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification; and**

**Remarks.**